



Merchant Shipping (Registration, etc.) Act 1993

1993 CHAPTER 22

Supplementary and pre-consolidation provisions

8 Amendments and repeals including those for purposes of consolidation

- (1) Schedule 2 to this Act shall have effect for making amendments consequential on the provisions of this Act.
- (2) Schedule 3 to this Act (which substantially re-enacts certain provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts relating to British ships and the British flag) shall have effect.
- (3) Schedule 4 to this Act shall have effect for making amendments designed to facilitate, or otherwise desirable in connection with, the consolidation of the enactments relating to merchant shipping.
- (4) The enactments mentioned in Schedule 5 to this Act (which include enactments which are spent or are of no practical utility) are hereby repealed to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule, subject, however, to the saving at the end of the Schedule.

9 Interpretation, etc

- (1) This Act shall be construed as one with the Merchant Shipping Acts 1894 to 1988.
- (2) In this Act—
 - “British connection” and “declaration of British connection” have the meaning given in section 2(9);
 - “the Merchant Shipping Acts” means the Merchant Shipping Acts 1894 to 1988 and this Act;
 - “the private law provisions for registered ships” has the meaning given in section 6;

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

“the register” means the register maintained for the United Kingdom under section 1 and “registered” (except with reference to the law of another country) is to be construed accordingly;

“the registrar” means the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen in his capacity as registrar or, as respects functions of his being discharged by another authority or person, that authority or person;

“registration regulations” means regulations under section 3;

“relevant British possession” means—

- (a) the Isle of Man,
- (b) the Channel Islands, or
- (c) any colony; and

“the tonnage regulations” means regulations under section 1 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1965.

- (3) Where, for the purposes of any enactment, the question arises whether a ship is owned by persons qualified to own British ships, the question shall be determined by reference to registration regulations made under section 2(2)(a).
- (4) Any reference in any other Act or in any instrument made under any other Act to the registration of a ship (or fishing vessel) under any of the enactments mentioned in section 1(7) shall be construed, unless the context otherwise requires, as, or as including, a reference to registration under this Act; and connected phrases shall be construed accordingly.
- (5) Registration regulations may provide that any reference in any other Act or in any instrument made under any other Act to the port of registry of a ship or the port to which a ship belongs shall be construed as a reference to the port identified by the marks required for the purpose by registration regulations.
- (6) The Secretary of State may, by order made by statutory instrument subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament, make such amendments of any local Act or instrument so far as it provides for the registration of ships in local registers as appear to him to be appropriate in view of the provision made by section 1.

10 Short title, commencement and extent

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Registration, etc.) Act 1993; and this Act and the Merchant Shipping Acts 1894 to 1988 may be cited together as the Merchant Shipping Acts 1894 to 1993.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may appoint by order made by statutory instrument, and different days may be appointed for different provisions or different purposes.
- (3) An order under subsection (2) above may include such transitional, saving and supplementary provision (including modifications of any enactment) as appear to the Secretary of State to be appropriate in connection with the transition to the new register or the partial operation of section 1 or in connection with the amendments made by Schedule 4 to this Act.
- (4) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.